

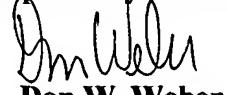
REMARKS

Applicant has previously submitted a First Preliminary Amendment, amending the Specification at page 11, line 15 and at page 11, lines 20-21. Those amendments to the Specification stand as submitted.

Applicant herein also amends the Specification to include updated information as to the prior parent applications. Applicant also corrects a typographical error in the Original Specification regarding the application number of application #09/696,948.

Applicant now cancels all previously submitted claims in favor of new Claims 9 and 10. New claims 9 and 10 are similar to, but distinct from, Claims 1 and 2 of Applicant's issued US Patent #US 6,612,970 B2, issued 2 September 2003. That US patent was issued after this application was filed.

Respectfully submitted,



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